

StyleGAN-XL: Scaling StyleGAN to Large Diverse Datasets

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Abstract

Computer graphics has experienced a recent surge of data-centric approaches for photorealistic and controllable content creation. StyleGAN in particular sets new standards for generative modeling regarding image quality and controllability. However, StyleGAN's performance severely degrades on large unstructured datasets such as ImageNet. StyleGAN was designed for controllability; hence, prior works suspect its restrictive design to be unsuitable for diverse datasets. In contrast, we find the main limiting factor to be the current training strategy. Following the recently introduced Projected GAN paradigm, we leverage powerful neural network priors and a progressive growing strategy to successfully train the latest StyleGAN3 generator on ImageNet. Our final model, StyleGAN-XL, sets a new state-of-the-art on large-scale image synthesis and is the first to generate images at a resolution of 1024² at such a dataset scale. We demonstrate that this model can invert and edit images beyond the narrow domain of portraits or specific object classes. Code, models, and supplementary videos can be found at <https://sites.google.com/view/stylegan-xl/>.